

Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project
Advisory Group and Interested Parties

FROM: John Pandiani
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DATE: June 9, 2000

RE: Children's Services Programs: Insurance Coverage of People Served

The attached tables and graphs provide an overview of the insurance coverage of people served by community mental health children's services programs in Vermont. These data are relevant to our concern regarding access to care and can provide information on the context in which other indicators of program performance can be interpreted.

The first page provides a historical overview of insurance coverage of people served by children's services programs in Vermont. As you will see, the representation of people covered by Medicaid increased substantially during this 14-year period. In 1986, less than 40% of the people served by children's services programs were covered by Medicaid. In 1999, more than 70% of the people served by children's services programs were covered by Medicaid.

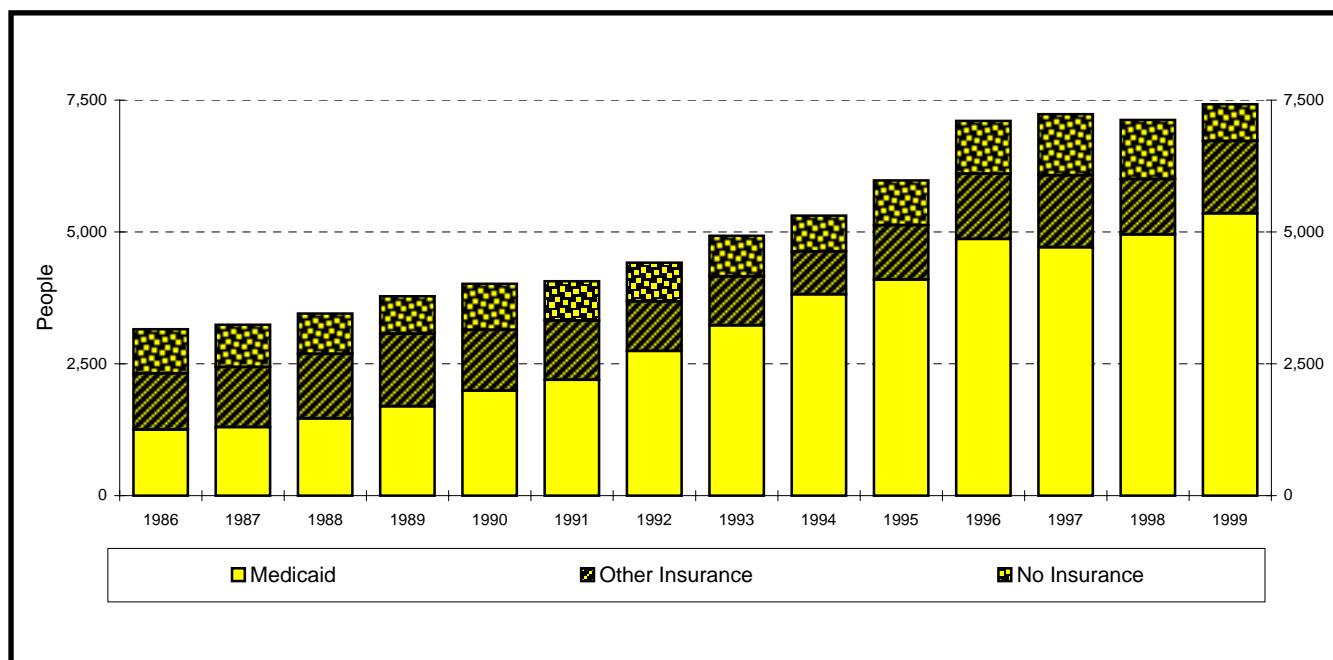
The second page provides a provider by provider comparison of insurance coverage for people served. As you will see, Medicaid clients account for between two-thirds and three-fourths of the people served by most children's services programs. Lamoille County and NFI report substantially higher proportions of uninsured clients than other programs. Northeast reports it served no uninsured clients during FY1999.

The third page compares the number of Medicaid recipients that were served during the year to the number of young residents of each county who were covered by Medicaid during one month (December) of that year. As you will see, Addison and Orange counties had the highest utilization rate by Medicaid enrollees. Lamoille County had the lowest utilization rate according to the data reported to the DDMHS.

We look forward to comments and your interpretation of these data. We will be particularly interested in your comments about the quality of these data and the appropriateness of our analysis. As always, you can reach us at jpandiani@ddmhs.state.vt.us or call 802-241-2638.

CHILDREN'S SERVICES PROGRAMS

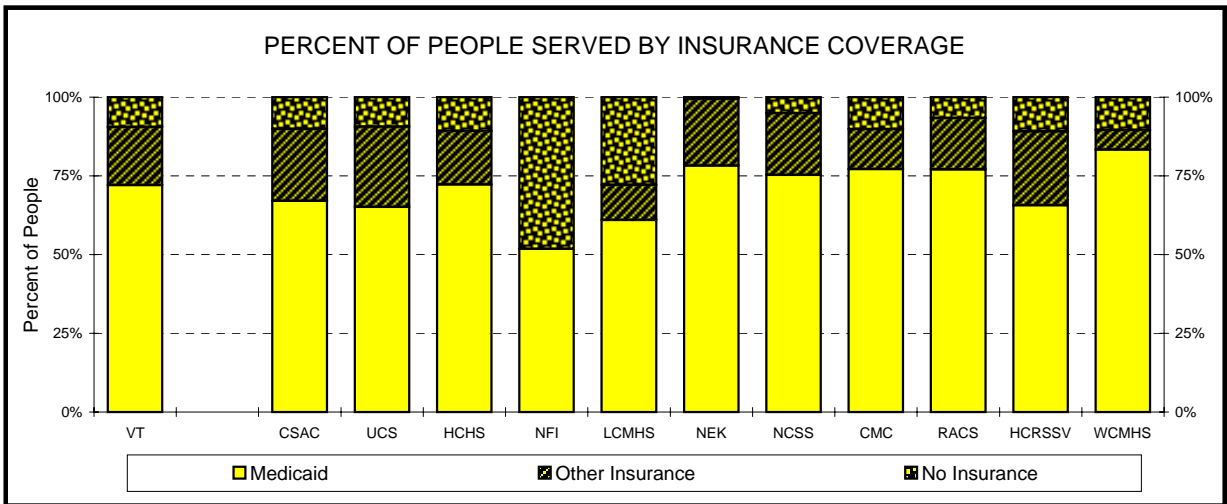
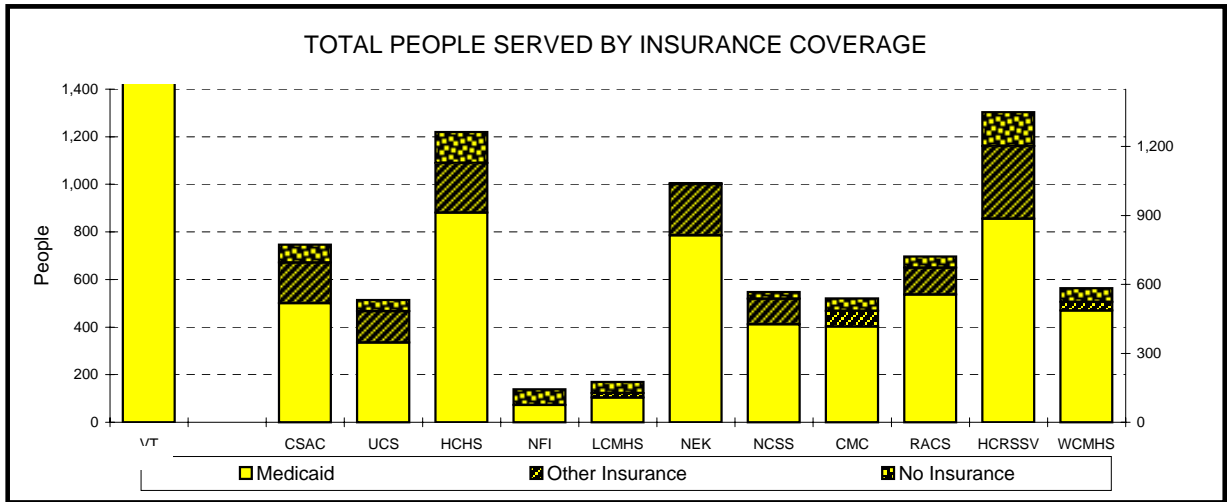
INSURANCE COVERAGE OF PEOPLE SERVED, FY 1986 - FY 1999



Fiscal Year	Medicaid	Other Insurance	No Insurance	Total People Served
1999	5,352	1,341	701	7,394
1998	4,953	1,047	1,122	7,122
1997	4,708	1,369	1,153	7,230
1996	4,869	1,235	999	7,103
1995	4,088	1,034	849	5,971
1994	3,815	814	678	5,307
1993	3,230	928	769	4,927
1992	2,740	943	732	4,415
1991	2,198	1,120	748	4,066
1990	1,990	1,151	877	4,018
1989	1,692	1,379	712	3,783
1988	1,298	1,141	761	3,200
1987	1,298	1,141	802	3,241
1986	1,251	1,064	839	3,154

Information is based on quarterly service reports submitted by Vermont's community service providers and includes people assigned to Children's Services . People covered by both Medicaid and other insurers are under Medicaid. Medicare is counted as "Other Insurance".

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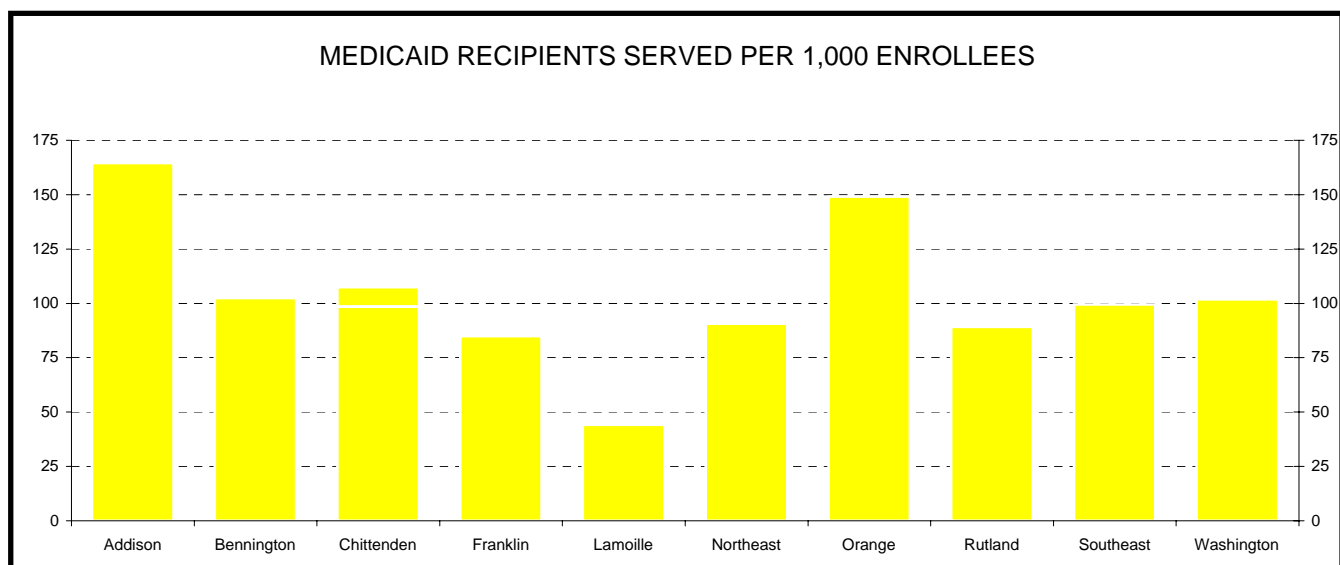
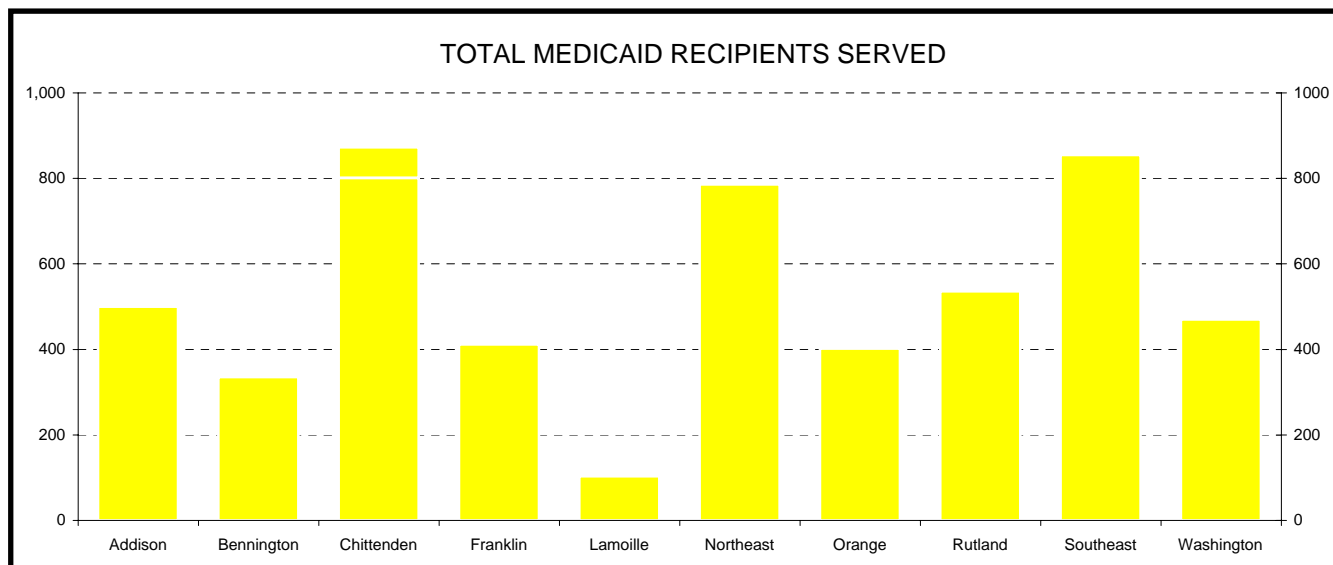


Region/Provider	Medicaid		Other Insurance		No Insurance		Total People Served
	#	%	#	%	#	%	
Addison - CSAC	500	67%	171	23%	75	10%	746
Bennington - UCS	335	65%	131	25%	48	9%	514
Chittenden - HCHS	881	72%	208	17%	131	11%	1,220
- NFI	72	52%	0	0%	67	48%	139
Total	785	61%	204	16%	293	23%	1,282
Lamoille - LCMHS	103	61%	19	11%	47	28%	169
Northeast - NEK	786	78%	214	21%	5	0%	1005
Northwest - NCSS	412	75%	107	20%	28	5%	547
Orange - CMC	402	77%	66	13%	53	10%	521
Rutland - RACS	536	77%	114	16%	46	7%	696
Southeast - HCRSSV	855	66%	306	23%	142	11%	1,303
Washington - WCMHS	470	83%	35	6%	59	10%	564
Total	5,352	72%	1,371	18%	701	9%	7,424

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MEDICAID RECIPIENTS SERVED: TOTAL AND PER 1,000 ENROLLEES, FY1999



Region/Provider	Medicaid Enrollees	Medicaid Recipients Served	Medicaid Recipients Served Per 1,000 Enrollees
Addison - CSAC	3,039	500	165
Bennington - UCS	3,272	335	102
Chittenden - HCHS	--	801	99
- NFI	--	72	9
Total	8,129	953	117
Franklin - FGI	4,853	412	85
Lamoille - LCMHS	2,330	103	44
Northeast -NEK	8,671	786	91
Orange - CMC	2,696	402	149
Rutland -RACS	6,011	536	89
Southeast - HCRSSV	8,591	855	100
Washington - WCMHS	4,616	470	102
Total	52,208	6,225	119

Numbers of Medicaid enrollees served are obtained from Quarterly Service Reports submitted by Vermont's Community Service Providers. Medicaid enrollee counts are obtained from Vermont Department of Social Welfare's Medicaid Unit and reflect Medicaid enrollees as of 12/98. The count of people served by NFI are separated from the count of people served by HCHS by a white line. Individuals served by more than one agency are counted more than once.